

A RESOLUTION NAMING CHOCTAW NATION OF OKLAHOMA DELEGATES TO THE NATIONAL CONGRESS OF AMERICAN INDIANS

IN THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE CHOCTAW NATION

JAMES DRY INTRODUCED THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL RESOLUTION

A COUNCIL RESOLUTION

TO APPROVE a resolution naming a delegate and an alternate delegate to the National Congress of American Indians to represent the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma.

WHEREAS, in accordance with Article VII, Section 2 of the Constitution of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma (the "Nation"), the Chief has the power to "establish and appoint committees, members and delegates to represent the Choctaw Nation with the advice and consent of the Tribal Council.";

WHEREAS, the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma wishes to become a Member Indian/Native Government in Good Standing with the National Congress of American Indians ("NCAI");

WHEREAS, the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma meets all requirements for Tribal Membership, pursuant to Article III-Members, Section B of the Constitution and By-Laws of NCAI;

WHEREAS, Chief Gary Batton nominates John Hobbs, Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma Senior Executive Officer of Communications, as the Nation's Delegate to the National Congress of American Indians, for a term that expires on September 30, 2026;

WHEREAS, Chief Gary Batton nominates Megan Jones, Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma Federal Government Affairs Strategist, as the Nation's Alternate Delegate to the National Congress of American Indians, for a term that expires on September 30, 2026;

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma supports efforts to build and grow the Nation's relationship with NCAI and its other Member tribal nations; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma has determined it is in the best interest of the Nation to support the designation of John Hobbs as Delegate and Megan Jones as Alternate Delegate on the National Congress of American Indians.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that pursuant to Article III-Members, Section B 1(b) of the NCAI Constitution and By-Laws, this Resolution be cited as approval to designate John Hobbs as Delegate and Megan Jones as Alternate Delegate and instructs them to be Individual Members in Good Standing with the National Congress of American Indians in order to fulfill their roles and responsibilities as the Nation's Official Delegate and Alternate Delegate to the National Congress of American Indians Annual Convention, Executive Council Winter Session and Mid-Year Conference.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma Tribal Council, which is the official governing body of the Choctaw Nation, hereby authorizes Chief Gary Batton to take the necessary action to place the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma in Membership with the NCAI.

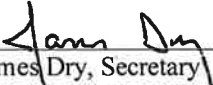
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that Tribal funds in the amount of \$30,000.00 based on the Tribal Membership dues schedule in the NCAI By-Laws, Article III, Section C 2 are authorized to be paid for NCAI membership.


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BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that based on tribal enrollment of persons, the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma shall have 180 votes, in accordance with Article III- Members, Section B 1d.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as speaker of the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that the Tribal Council is composed of twelve (12) seats. Eight (8) members must be present to constitute a quorum. I further certify that twelve (12) members answered roll call and that a quorum was present at the Tribal Council Session hosted from Tuskahoma, Oklahoma on September 13th, 2025. I further certify that the foregoing Council Resolution CR- 13 -25 was adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of twelve (12) members, zero (0) negative votes, and zero (0) abstaining.


James Dry, Secretary
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council


Thomas Williston, Speaker
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council


Gary Batton, Chief
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

Date 9-17-25

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Purpose/Need of Council Resolution: The purpose of this resolution is to name John Hobbs as Delegate and Megan Jones as Alternate Delegate to have a voting role and responsibility on behalf of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma at the National Congress of American Indians 82nd Annual Convention & Marketplace. These nominations are important to determine tribal unity and tribal political goals across Indian Country. Further, these nominations give the Nation a voice nation-wide and in the same room as many other tribal nations.

Strategic Goal: This Resolution fulfills the Nation's strategic goal of protecting and promoting tribal sovereignty by placing Choctaw Tribal Members and Choctaw Nation leaders in political positions.

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Agency: Government Relations

Budget: N/A

Match Required: N/A

Request by: John Hobbes, SEO Communications